

PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of: **MARK T. MERCER**, entitled: **FLOATING DEBRIS AND WEEDLINE MARKER**, which claims the benefit of and priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/461,021, including specification, abstract, and claims totaling 11 pages.

Enclosed are:

- Five (5) sheet(s) of [X] formal, [] informal drawing(s).
- An assignment of the invention to .
- Information Disclosure Statement, [] Form PTO-1449.
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.
- Executed Declaration by the Inventor.
- Preliminary Amendment
- Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

[X] CLAIMS AS FILED SMALL ENTITY

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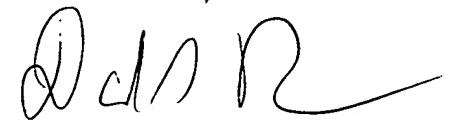
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